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SUBJECT: GLOBAL MARINE DRILLING ACTIVITIES

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1. GLOBAL MARINE PROJECT MANAGER KRUEGER INFORMED US THAT HIS COMPANY HAD FOUND POTENTIALLY EXPLOITABLE NATURAL GAS DEPOSITS AT THIRD DRILLING SITE IN BLACK SEA. WELL TESTS WILL CONTINUE FOR AT LEAST ONE WEEK, AFTER WHICH GLOBAL MARINE EXPECTS TO DRILL ONE MORE EXPLORATORY WELL IN BLACK SEA AND ONE IN SAROS BAY (SEE REF A) FOR THE TURKISH STATE PETROLEUM COMPANY (TPAO).

2. AFTER COMPLETION OF THE FIFTH TPAO WELL, GLOBAL MARINE HOPES TO CONTRACT WITH DORCHESTER MARINE FOR AT LEAST ONE WELL IN DORCHESTER'S CONCESSION AREA IN AEGEAN NEAR IZMIR. KRUEGER UNDERSTANDS FROM TPAO THAT SHELL INTENDS TO IMPORT DRILLING RIG IN NEAR FUTURE FOR EXPLORATION IN SHELL'S AEGEAN

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CONCESSIONS, AND THAT SHELL ALSO INTENDS TO LOAN

OR LEASE THE RIG ON CREDIT BASIS TO TPAO
FOR TPAO'S EXPLORATION PROGRAM. BATJER

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